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1. Between 12 and 19 July 1948, an armored unit arrived in Bernau (296) from Stettin and was billeted in the former Bergmann Elektrische Werke. A representative of the unit journeyed to Berlin on 19 July, where he purchased 2 1/2 tons of tow cable at the OSW plant.

2. On 16 July, approximately 1,000 Mongolian troops with Russian officers arrived in Michendorf (Z62). All ranks wear green tabs with green piping. Additional Mongolians - strength not reported - also with Russians officers, and wearing the same colors, arrived at Treuenbrietzen (Z50) the same day.

3. Klaistow (Z42) received sixty T-34 tanks on 16 July.

4. On 18 July, 120 single-engine fighters and approximately 120 twin-engine planes resembling the Il-2 arrived at Rangsdorf Airfield (Z82).

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Comment: Treuenbrietzen rumors place troop strength at 3,000.)

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